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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

A. Background BLM Office:Kremmling	Lease/Serial/Case File No.:N/A
Number: DOI-BLM-LLCON02000-2011-0012-DN	NA
Proposed Action Title/Type: Transfer of base prop 07098 (Karl's View) from Sandra Knox to the Ken	•

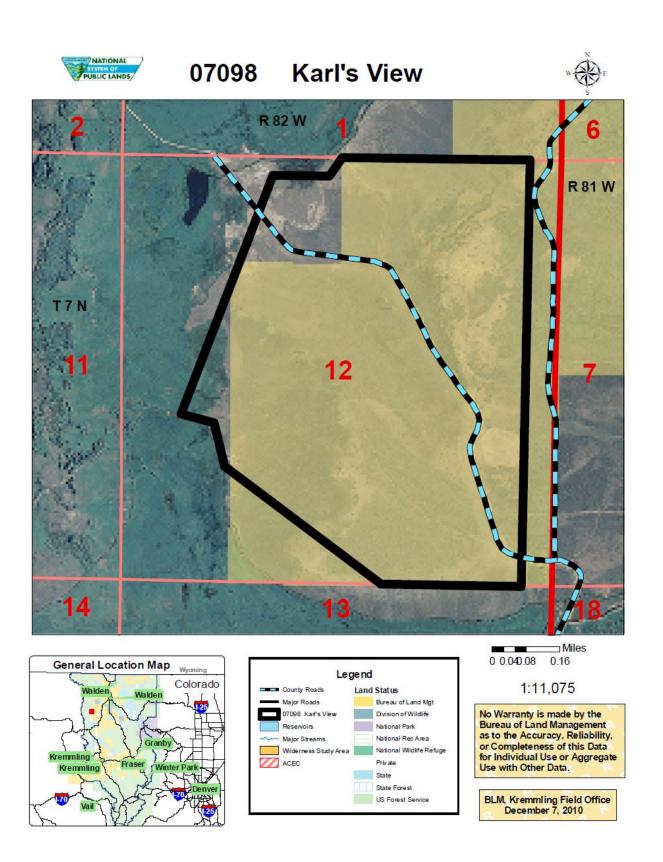
Location of Proposed Action: T. 7 N., R. 82 W., 6th P.M., Section 12

Description of Proposed Action: The Proposed Action would transfer the base property and livestock grazing preference on Allotment 07098 (Karl's View) from Sandra Knox to the Kenneth L. Manley Trust. There would be no change to the number or kind of livestock, season of use, or amount of authorized livestock preference as expressed in AUMs*.

AUM = animal unit month = the amount of forage needed to sustain one cow and calf for one month.

Livestock grazing permit # 0504348 would authorize livestock grazing to the following extent:

Allotment	Livestock	Season of Use	Percent Public	AUMs
	Number Kind		Land	
07098	66 Cattle	06/01 - 07/14	65	62



B. Land Use Plan Conformance

Land Use Plan Name: Kremmling Resource Management Plan (RMP), Record of

Decision (ROD)

Date Approved/Amended: December 19, 1984; Updated February 1999

<u>Decision Number/Page</u>: Livestock grazing pages 6 through 8, as revised

<u>Decision Language</u>: Objectives of the RMP/ROD include allocation of a base level of livestock forage and maintaining or improving forage production and condition in areas where livestock grazing is a priority or is compatible with the land use priority. Allotment 07098 was designated with an oil and gas priority by the RMP. Livestock grazing is compatible with this designation.

C. Compliance with NEPA:

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 516 DM 11.0,_D (1): "Approval of transfers of grazing preference".

This categorical exclusion is appropriate in this situation because there are no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The proposed action has been reviewed, and none of the extraordinary circumstances described in 516 DM2 apply.

INTERDISCIPLINARY REVIEW:

Name	Title	Area of	Date Review
		Responsibility	Completed
Paula Belcher	Hydrologist	SAW, Riparian	12/6/2010
Megan McGuire	Wildlife Biologist	Wildlife, T&E	12/16/2010
Bill Wyatt	Archaeologist	Cultural, Paleo	12/17/2010

D.	Signature

Authorizing Official:_/s/ Su	san Cassel	Date:	3/4/11	
C	(Signature)			
Name:_for David Stout				
Title:Field Manager_				

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DECISION RECORD

CX DOI-BLM-LLCON02000-2011-0012-DNA

<u>DECISION</u>: It is my decision to authorize the Proposed Action as described in the attached CX.

This decision is in compliance with the Endangered Species Act, National Historic Preservation Act, and the Clean Water Act. This decision is also in conformance with the LUP and other applicable laws, regulations and policies.

This action is listed in the Department Manual as an action that may be categorically excluded. I have evaluated the action and have determined that it does not represent an extraordinary circumstance and is, therefore, categorically excluded from further environmental analysis.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The existing permit for grazing is in good standing. There would be no change to the number or kind of livestock, season of use, or amount of authorized livestock preference as expressed in AUMs with the new permittee.

The livestock producer benefits from a renewed livestock grazing permit/lease to graze forage on BLM managed land. Livestock grazing on BLM managed land is an integral part of the livestock producer's operation, and an important part of local rural economies.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL: /s/ Susan Cassel

DATE SIGNED: 3/4/11